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TESTIMONY OF THE

CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER, OFFICE OF ELECTIONS TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY ON HOUSE BILL NO. 31

RELATING TO ELECTION NOMINATION PAPERS

January 31, 2019

Chair Lee and members of the House Committee on Judiciary, thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of House Bill No. 31. This bill repeals the date of birth and Social Security Number requirements for election nomination papers and the withdrawal of a nominating voter's signature.

The Office of Elections uses information provided by signatories on a nomination paper to confirm that they are registered voters and eligible to vote for the candidate they are nominating. However, since Social Security Number is no longer required to register to vote pursuant to Act 167, SLH 2016, we do not have the ability to confirm a signatory's last four digits of their Social Security Number with the statewide voter registration system.

We would propose that the bill be amended to modify the requirement for providing date of birth so that only month and day are required. This helps election officials find and confirm a signatory with the statewide voter registration system. Also, this is the same data that is included in the poll book and confirmed when voters are issued a ballot.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of House Bill No. 31.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Gerard Silva	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

We need to be able to check on these people to Make sure they are Americans and not illeagles witch should not be able to run for any public office in any State. If this were to Happen the repercution would be Against the Government and the DemoCraps for allowing such a thing!!!